A.—Sri B. D. JATTI (Minister for Food).—

(*a*) No.

(*b*) No.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) Rice is released for utilisation in the various Districts consistent with the requirements of the Districts and the availability of the stocks of rice with Government.

Small Scale Industries.

Q.—128. Sri R. S. HEGDE (Honnavar).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) the amount of Small Scale Industries loans earmarked to North Kanara District during the III Plan period ;

(*b*) how many artisans in the above district are benefitted by it ;

(*c*) how many applications are under scrutiny ?

A.—Sri K. MALLAPPA (Minister for Industries of Commerce).—

(*a*) The total provision in the III Plan for loans to Small Scale Industries for the entire State is as detailed below :—

Small Scale Industries	...	54.30 lakhs
Craft Co-operative Societies	...	26.00 lakhs
Handlooms	...	61.83 lakhs
Handicrafts	...	7.30 lakhs
Coir	...	4.47 lakhs

Of this, no particular amount has been earmarked for North Kanara District.

(*b*) 1106 artisans.

(*c*) 27.

Dam site at Siddapur.

Q.—171. Sri S. RUDRAPPA (Kalgi).—

Will the Government be pleased to state :—

(*a*) whether the Dam site at Siddapur on Upper Krishna Project has been approved ;

(*b*) what is the total outlay so far on Almatti Dam.